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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

Daniel KOPF et al.

Group Art Unit: 2828

Application No.: 10/578,508

Examiner: Y. ZHANG

Filed: September 26, 2006

Docket No.: 117891

For: HIGHLY REPETITIVE LASER SYSTEM HAVING A COMPACT DESIGN

SUMMARY OF THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Applicants' representative conducted a personal interview with Examiners Harvey, Van Roy, and Zhang on February 23, 2010. Applicants appreciate the courtesies shown to Applicants representative by the Examiners during the personal interview. Applicants' summary of the substance of the personal interview is contained in the following remarks.

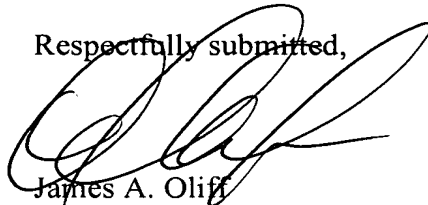
Applicants' representative met with the Examiners to discuss the arguments set forth in Applicants' February 19 Request for Reconsideration. Specifically, Applicants' representative presented arguments regarding why the currently-applied references are not combinable in the manner suggested by the Office Action, and otherwise would not have rendered obvious the subject matter of at least independent claim 1 in the above-identified application.

After detailed discussion regarding the combinability of the references, the Examiners agreed that the current rejection under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) over the combination of Perry, Norris and Hentschel, as detailed in the November 19, 2009 Office Action, and for the

reasons presented in Applicants' February 19 Request for Reconsideration, as reiterated by Applicants' representative during the February 23 personal interview, "is improperly made." The Examiners agreed that "therefore, the current rejection is withdrawn." It was indicated that an updated search will be made based on the subject matter of the pending claims, as currently presented.

Should any questions arise regarding this correspondence, all inquiries may be directed to Applicants' representative at the telephone number set forth below.

Respectfully submitted,



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